## Student Baseline and Post-Instruction Checklist Common Core Essential Elements and Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors English Language Arts GRADE Kindergarten

Student Name:	Student Grade:
Teacher:	Date:

Common Core State Standard: RL.K.1. With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERL.K.1.</b> With guidance and support, identify details in familiar stories.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Identify key details in familiar story.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, identify details in familiar stories.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify a favorite detail in familiar story.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> With guidance and support, interact with or explore pictures and objects related to a familiar story.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RL.K.2.** With prompting and support, retell familiar stories, including key details.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERL.K.2.</b> With guidance and support, identify major events in familiar stories.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Identify major events in text as they appear in a familiar story while it is being read.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify major events in familiar stories.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:     With guidance and support, identify a personally relevant event in familiar story.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, act out or complete personally relevant events in familiar stories.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RL.K.3.** With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERL.K.3.</b> With guidance and support, identify characters and settings in a familiar story.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Identify the characters and settings in a familiar story.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify characters and settings in a familiar story.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify an illustration (or picture description or tactualized image) that shows a character in a familiar story.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, identify people or places that appear in familiar, personally relevant stories.	YN

Common Core State Standard: RL.K.4. Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERL.K.4. With guidance and		Indicate Yes or No
support, ask about an unknown		
word in a text.		



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Ask and/or answer about an unknown word in a text.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, ask about an unknown word in a text.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, indicate when a recently learned word is used in a text.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, exchange a symbol, object, or otherwise communicate a familiar word during shared reading of a familiar text.	YN

## Common Core State Standard: RL.K.5. Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERL.K.5.</b> With guidance and support, recognize familiar texts (e.g., storybooks, poems).		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Recognize familiar texts.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, recognize familiar texts (e.g., storybooks, poems).	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, recognize a favored, familiar text (e.g., storybooks, teacher-made text).	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> With guidance and support, select a text for shared reading.	YN



**Common Core State Standard: RL.K.6.** With prompting and support, name the author and illustrator of a story and define the role of each in telling the story.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERL.K.6.</b> With guidance and support, distinguish between words and illustrations in a story.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Distinguish between words and illustrations in a story.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, distinguish between words and illustrations in a story.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, locate an illustration in the story.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> With guidance and support during shared reading, interact with or explore illustrations, objects, or other tactual representations of a story.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RL.K.7.** With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the story in which they appear (e.g., what moment in a story an illustration depicts).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERL.K.7</b> . With guidance and support, match illustrations with the story.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Match illustrations with text in the story.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, match illustrations with the story.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, points to an illustration in the story when it is described or labeled by the teacher.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	With guidance and support during shared reading, interact with or explore illustrations, objects, or other tactual representations of a story.	YN

## Common Core State Standard: RL.K.8. (Not applicable to literature)

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERL.K.8. N/A		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: RL.K.9.** With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERL.K.9.</b> With guidance and support, identify the adventures or experiences of a character in a familiar story.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Identify the adventures or experiences of a character in a story.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify the adventures or experiences of a character in a familiar story.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify an adventure or experience that occurred in a familiar story.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> With guidance and support, act out the adventures or experiences that occur in a familiar storybook.	YN



Common Core State Standard: RL.K.10. Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERL.K.10. **This Literature		Indicate Yes or No
Essential Element references all		
elements above.		

Common Core State Standard: RI.K.1. With prompting and support, ask and answer question about key details in a text.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERI.K.1.</b> With guidance and support, identify a detail in a familiar text.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Identify details in familiar text.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, identify a detail in a familiar text.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify a detail in a text from a familiar text about a personally relevant event or daily routine.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, interact with or explore pictures or objects related to a text while it is read.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RI.K.2.** With prompting and support, identify the main topic and retell key details of a text.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERI.K.2.</b> With guidance and support, identify the topic of a familiar text.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Indicate the topic of a familiar text.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify the topic of a familiar text.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level II	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:</li> <li>With guidance and support identify an object or picture that relates to the topic of a familiar text.</li> </ul>	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, identify a familiar book about a preferred topic.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RI.K.3.** With prompting and support, describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERI.K.3.</b> With guidance and support, identify individuals, events, or ideas in a familiar informational text.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Identify individuals, events, or ideas in an informational text.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify individuals, events, or ideas in a familiar informational text.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, act out events or actions in a familiar informational text.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  • With guidance and support, participate in acting out events or imitate actions from routines in a familiar informational text.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RI.K.4.** With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERI.K.4. With guidance and		Indicate Yes or No
support, ask about an unknown		
word in a text.		



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Ask about an unknown word in a text.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, ask about an unknown word in a text.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, indicate when a recently learned word is used in a text.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, exchange a symbol, object, or otherwise communicate a familiar word during shared reading of a text.  •	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RI.K.5.** Identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERI.K.5.</b> With guidance and support, identify parts of a book.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Identify parts of the book as applicable (top, front cover, title, beginning of text).	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, identify parts of a book.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • Exhibit appropriate book handling or interaction skills.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> • Exhibit emerging book handling skills.	YN



**Common Core State Standard: RI.K.6.** Name the author and illustrator of a text and define the role of each in presenting the ideas or information in a text.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERI.K.6.</b> With guidance and support, distinguish between print and illustrations in an informational text.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Distinguish between print and illustrations in an informational text.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, distinguish between print and illustrations in an informational text.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, find an illustration in the text.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support during shared reading, interact with or explore illustrations, objects, or other tactual representations of an informational text.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RI.K.7.** With prompting and support, describe the relationship between illustrations and the text in which they appear (e.g., what person, place, thing, or idea in the text an illustration depicts).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERI.K.7.</b> With guidance and supports, match illustrations to an informational text.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Match parts of an informational text with illustrations in a text.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, match illustrations to an informational text.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, point to an illustration in an informational text when it is described or labeled by the teacher.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	With guidance and support during shared reading, interact with or explore illustrations, objects or other tactual representations of the text.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RI.K.8.** With prompting and support, identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERI.K.8.</b> With guidance and support, identify points the author makes in an informational text.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Identify points the author makes in an informational text.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify points the author makes in an informational text.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, recognize when a point the author makes in an informational text is read.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support during shared reading, interact with or explore illustrations, objects, or other tactual representations of an informational text.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RI.K.9.** With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERI.K.9. With guidance and		Indicate Yes or No
support, match similar parts of		
two texts on the same topic.		



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Match similar parts of two texts on the same topic.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, match similar parts of two texts on the same topic.	YN
Level II	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:</li> <li>With guidance and support, identify same pictures/objects from an informational text.</li> </ul>	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, communicate an understanding that items can be the same when presented with two like objects or pictures.	YN

Common Core State Standard: RI.K.10. Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERI.K.10. **This Literature		Indicate Yes or No
Essential Element references all		
elements above.		

Common Core State Standard: RF.K.1. Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

a. Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.1. With guidance and support, demonstrate an emerging understanding of the organization and basic features of print.  a. With guidance and support during shared reading, turn pages one page at a time from beginning to end.		Indicate Yes or No



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Turn pages appropriately while listening to someone read.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support during shared reading, turn pages one page at a time from beginning to end.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, recognize that books are read one page at a time.	YN
Level I	<ul> <li>Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u></li> <li>With guidance and support, turn pages in a book.</li> </ul>	YN

Common Core State Standard: RF.K.1. Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

b. Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.1.b. N/A		Indicate Yes or No

Common Core State Standard: RF.K.1. Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

c. Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.1.c. N/A		Indicate Yes or No

Common Core State Standard: RF.K.1. Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

d. Recognize and name all upper- and lowercase letters of the alphabet.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.1.d. With guidance and		Indicate Yes or No
support, recognize first letter of		



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
own name in print.		
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Recognize first letter of own name in print.	YN
Level III	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:</li> <li>With guidance and support, recognize first letter of own name in print.</li> </ul>	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, recognize one letter at a time in print.	YN
Level I	<ul> <li>Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u></li> <li>With guidance and support, explore letters in a variety of forms (e.g., keyboards, letter stamps, and magnetic letters).</li> </ul>	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RF.K.2.** Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes). a. Recognize and produce rhyming words.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.2. With guidance and support, demonstrate an emerging understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).  a. With guidance and support, recognize rhyming words.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Recognize rhyming words.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, recognize rhyming words.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, provide a rhyming word to complete a repeated line in a familiar text.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	<ul> <li>Student attempts to perform the task with support:</li> <li>With guidance and support during shared reading, provide a repeated line in a familiar, rhyming text.</li> </ul>	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RF.K.2.** Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes). b. Count, pronounce, blend and segment syllables in spoken words.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERF.K.2.b.</b> With guidance and support, recognize the number of words in a spoken message.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Indicate the number of words in a spoken message.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, recognize the number of words in a spoken message.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, recognize the number of words in a short spoken message presented with exaggerated pauses.	N
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> With guidance and support, participate in clapping along with stories, songs, and poems.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RF.K.2.** Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes). c. Blend and segment onsets and rimes [*sic*] of single-syllable spoken words.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERF.K.2.c.</b> With guidance and support, identify single-syllable spoken words with the same onset (beginning sound) as a familiar word.		Indicate Yes or No



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level IV	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:</li> <li>Identify a word that starts with the same sound as a familiar word.</li> </ul>	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify single-syllable spoken words with the same onset (beginning sound) as a familiar word.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, recognize two letter-sounds that are the same.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, participate in shared reading and singing of stories, songs, tongue twisters, and poems with alliteration.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RF.K.2.** Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes). **d.** Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme (consonant-vowel-consonant, or CVC) words. (This does not include CVCs ending with /l/, /r/, or /x/.)

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.2.d. N/A		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: RF.K.2.** Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes). **e.** Add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.2.e. N/A		Indicate Yes or No

Common Core State Standard: RF.K.3. Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

a. Demonstrate basic knowledge of letter-sound correspondences by producing the primary or most frequent sound for each consonant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Words, syllables, or phonemes written in /slashes/refer to their pronunciation or phonology. Thus, /CVC/ is a word with three phonemes regardless of the number of letters in the spelling of the word.



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.3. With guidance and support, apply letter name and letter-sound knowledge when decoding words during shared activities.  a. With guidance and support, recognize sound of first letter in own name.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Recognize sound that begins own name.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, recognize sound of first letter in own name.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  Recognize own name across contexts.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, recognize own name when called in a familiar routine.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: RF.K.3.** Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. **b.** Associate the long and short sounds with the common spellings (graphemes) for the five major vowels.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.3.b. N/A		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: RF.K.3.** Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. **c**. Read common high-frequency words by sight (e.g. the, of, to, you, she, my, is, are, do, does).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EERF.K.3.		Indicate Yes or No
c. With guidance and		
support, recognize		
common signs and/or		
symbols in the		



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
environment.		
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Recognizes common signs and/or symbols in the environment.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, recognize common signs and/or symbols in the environment.	YN
Level II	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:</li> <li>With guidance and support, use familiar symbols in simple communication exchanges.</li> </ul>	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> With guidance and support, interact with or explore symbols and objects in the environment.	YN

Common Core State Standard: RF.K.3. Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.

**d.** Distinguish between similarly spelled words by identifying the sounds of the letters that differ.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency	
EERF.K.3.d. N/A		Indicate Yes or No	

Common Core State Standard: RF.K.4. Read emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EERF.K.4.</b> Engage in independent exploration of books.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Engages in independent exploration of books: holding books in the correct orientation, turning pages, and studying individual pages.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • Engage in independent exploration of books.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:     Engage in directed exploration of books.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, explore books.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: W.K.1.** Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces in which they tell a reader the topic or the name of the book they are writing about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book (e.g., *My favorite book is . . .*).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEW.K.1.</b> With guidance and support, select a topic or book and use drawing, dictating, or writing to state an opinion about it.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Given a topic or book, and use drawing, dictating, or writing to state an opinion about it.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, select a topic or book and use drawing, dictating, or writing to state an opinion about it.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, draw, dictate, or write about a self-selected topic or book given two choices.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, explore tools for drawing, writing, and self-expression.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: W.K.2.** Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic

Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
	Indicate Yes or No
	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
drawing, dictating, or writing to share information about the topic.		
Level IV	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:</li> <li>Select a topic and use drawing, dictating, or writing to share information about it.</li> </ul>	YN
Level III	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:</li> <li>With guidance and support, select a topic and use drawing, dictating, or writing to share information about the topic.</li> </ul>	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, select a topic for use in shared writing.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, interact with objects and artifacts and produce emergent writings related to the topics that other students are writing about.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: W.K.3.** Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happened.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEW.K.3.</b> With guidance and support, select an event and use drawing, dictating, or writing to narrate information about it.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Select an event and use drawing, dictating, or writing to narrate information about it. Narrate a single event.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, select an event and use drawing, dictating, or writing to narrate information about it.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, select an event to write about during shared writing.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, choose a comment about an event or experience for an adult or peer to write down.	YN

## Common Core State Standard: Production and Distribution of Writing. W.K.4. (Begins in grade 3)

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEW.K.4.</b> (Begins in grade 3)		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: W.K.5.** With guidance and support from adults, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and add details to strengthen writing as needed.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEW.K.5. (Begins in grade 1)		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: W.K.6.** With guidance and support from adults, explore a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEW.K.6.</b> With guidance and support from adults, explore a variety of digital tools to produce writing.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Explore a variety of digital tools to produce writing that is published.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support from adults, explore a variety of digital tools to produce writing that is published.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, explore a variety of digital tools and print products.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, explore various means of accessing digital tools, and print, save, and display the product in the class or on the Internet.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: W.K.7.** Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEW.K.7.</b> With guidance and support, participate in shared research and writing projects.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Participate in shared research and writing projects.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, participate in shared research and writing projects.	YN
Level II	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:</li> <li>With guidance and support, participate in selecting pictures and words to contribute to shared research and writing projects.</li> </ul>	YN
Level I	<ul> <li>Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u></li> <li>With prompts and support, explore pictures, words, or objects related to a shared research project.</li> </ul>	YN

**Common Core State Standard: W.K.8.** With guidance and support from adults, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEW.K.8.</b> With guidance and support from adults, identify information, objects, or events that relate to personal experiences.		Indicate Yes or No



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Identify information, objects, or events that relate to personal experiences.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support from adults, identify information, objects, or events that relate to personal experiences.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support from adults during shared writing activities, select personal objects from an array of choices to be included in a text.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support from adults during shared writing activities, interact with familiar objects that are being offered as choices in a text.	YN

Common Core State Standard: W.K.9. (Begins in grade 4)

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEW.K.9. (Begins in grade 4)		Indicate Yes or No

Common Core State Standard: W.K.10. (Begins in grade 3)

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEW.K.10 (begins in grade 3)		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: SL.K.1.** Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about *kindergarten topics and texts* with peers and adults in small and larger groups.

a. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others and taking turns speaking about the topics and texts under discussion).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EESL.K.1.</b> Participate in communication exchanges with		Indicate Yes or No



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
diverse partners.  a. Communicate directly with peers.		
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Participate in multiple-turn communication exchanges with peers.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • Communicate directly with peers.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support from an adult, participate in communication exchanges with peers.	YN
Level I	<ul> <li>Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u></li> <li>With guidance and support of an adult, share information with a peer.</li> </ul>	YN

**Common Core State Standard: SL.K.1.** Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about *kindergarten topics and texts* with peers and adults in small and larger groups.

b. Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
b. Participate in multiple- turn communication exchanges with adults.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Initiate or sustain multiple-turn communication exchanges with adults.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  Participate in multiple-turn communication exchanges with adults.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • Communicate directly with an adult.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, communicate directly with an adult.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: SL.K.2.** Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarification if something is not understood.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
emerging understanding of a familiar text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by answering questions.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Confirm understanding of a familiar text read aloud.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:     Demonstrate an emerging understanding of a familiar text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by answering questions.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, demonstrate an emerging understanding of a familiar text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media by answering questions.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  Attend to a familiar text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: SL.K.3.** Ask and answer questions in order to seek help, get information, or clarify something that is not understood.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EESL.K.3.</b> Ask for help when needed.		Indicate Yes or No



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Ask for help when needed and if more information is necessary for clarification, ask additional questions	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • Ask for help when needed.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, ask for help when needed.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  • Indicate distress.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: SL.K.4.** Describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EESL.K.4.</b> With guidance and support, identify familiar people, places, things, and events.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Identify familiar people, places, things, and events.	N
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, identify familiar people, places, things, and events.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, respond to familiar people and things.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, attend to familiar people and things.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: SL.K.5.** Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EESL.K.5.</b> With guidance and support, add or select drawings or other visual or tactual displays that relate to familiar people, places, things, and events.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Add or select drawings or other visual or tactual displays that relate to familiar people, places, things, and events.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, add or select drawings or other visual or tactual displays that relate to familiar people, places, things, and events.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, add or select drawings or other visual or tactual displays that relate to familiar people, places, things, and events given an array of objects to choose from.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, attend to objects placed before them.	YN

Common Core State Standard: SL.K.6. Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EESL.K.6.</b> With guidance and support, communicate thoughts, feelings, and ideas.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Communicate thoughts, feelings, and ideas.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, communicate thoughts, feelings, and ideas.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, communicate feeling.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  Communicates likes and dislikes.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.1.** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

a. Print many upper- and lowercase letters.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
eEL.K.1. Demonstrate emerging understandings of English grammar and word usage when communicating.  a. With guidance and support, distinguish between letters and other symbols or shapes.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Demonstrate understanding of letters.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, distinguish between letters and other symbols or shapes.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, demonstrate awareness that letters and words are connected to environmental icons.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, communicate awareness that objects, pictures, and signs can represent words and ideas.	YN

**Common Core State Standard:** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

b. Use frequently occurring nouns and verbs.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEL.K.1.		Indicate Yes or No



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
b. With guidance and support, identify objects or other symbols that represent familiar nouns.		
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Demonstrate the meaning of familiar words that indicate objects and actions.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify objects or other symbols that represent familiar nouns.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, identify familiar nouns.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> With guidance and support, responds to own name.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: EEL.K.1.c.** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

c. Form regular plural nouns orally by adding /s/ or /es/ (e.g., dog, dogs; wish, wishes).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEL.K.1.c. N/A		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: EEL.K.1.d.** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

d. Understand and use question words (interrogatives) (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEL.K.1.		Indicate Yes or No
d. With guidance and		
support, answer simple		
questions (e.g., who, what).		
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a	
	higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:	YN
	When asked a question beginning with what, why, or who,	
	will reply with appropriate response.	



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level III	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:</li> <li>With guidance and support, answer simple questions (e.g., who, what).</li> </ul>	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, indicates preference when given choices.	YN
Level I	<ul> <li>Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support</u>:</li> <li>With guidance and support, communicate likes and dislikes.</li> </ul>	YN

**Common Core State Standard: EEL.K.1.e.** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

e. Use the most frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., to, from, in, out, on, off, for, of, by, with).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
e. With guidance and support, demonstrate understanding of common prepositions: on, off, in, out.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  • Follow directions that involve location requests.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, demonstrate understanding of common prepositions: on, off, in, out.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:     With guidance and support, respond to directions related to location.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, communicates an understanding of a simple preposition (e.g., off).	YN

**Common Core State Standard: EEL.K.1.f.** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

f. Produce and expand complete sentences in shared language activities.



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEL.K.1.f.</b> With guidance and support, link two or more words together in communication.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  In language games supply missing word.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, link two or more words together in communication.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, participates in shared language activities when given directions.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, communicate a response to instructor communication.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.2.** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

- a. Capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun *I*.
- b. Recognize and name end punctuation.
- c. Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short-vowel sounds (phonemes).
- d. Spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEL.K.2.</b> Demonstrate emerging understandings of writing. a-d. Demonstrate emerging understandings of writing.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Distinguish between writing and drawing.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • Demonstrates emerging understanding of writing.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, participates in emergent writing.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> • With guidance and support, explore writing tools.	үи

Common Core State Standard: L.K.3. (Begins in grade 2)

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEL.K.3.</b> (Begins in grade 2)		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.4.** Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.

a. Identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accurately (e.g., knowing *duck* is a bird and learning the verb to *duck*).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEL.K.4. Demonstrate an understanding of vocabulary based on reading and other content.  a. Demonstrate an understanding of familiar words.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Respond to familiar words that have multiple meanings.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  • Demonstrate an understanding of familiar words.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, demonstrate an understanding of familiar words.	YN
Level I	<ul> <li>Student attempts to perform the task with support:</li> <li>With guidance and support, responds to personally relevant, familiar words presented as a pictures, signs, or spoken words.</li> </ul>	YN

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.4.** Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on kindergarten reading and content.



b. Use the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less) as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEL.K.4.b. N/A		Indicate Yes or No

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.5.** With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

a. Sort common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
support from adults, explore word relationships:  a. With guidance and support, sort common objects into familiar categories.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Sort common objects into familiar categories.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, sort common objects into familiar categories.	YN
Level II	<ul> <li>Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:</li> <li>With guidance and support, matches a common object with another common object that is not an exact match.</li> </ul>	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> With guidance and support, demonstrates an understanding of the concept of sameness by matching two objects that are an exact match.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.5.** With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

b. Demonstrate understanding of frequently occurring verbs and adjectives by relating them to their opposites (antonyms).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
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Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEL.K.5.b.</b> With guidance and support, demonstrate understanding of frequently occurring opposites.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Responds to opposites with appropriate actions.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, demonstrates understanding of frequently occurring opposites.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, recognizes differences by finding the different object in a set of similar objects.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, communicate an awareness of the concept of difference by attending to new object/stimuli longer than a known stimuli/object.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.5.** With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

c. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at school that are colorful).

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEL.K.5.c.</b> With guidance and support, use words to communicate in real-life situations.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Identify real-life connections with words and use.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, use words to communicate in real-life situations.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, identify real-life connections with words and their uses.	YN



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level I	With guidance and support, communicate in school-based settings and receive a response from staff and/or students.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.5.** With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

d. Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs describing the same general action (e.g., walk, march, strut, prance) by acting out the meanings.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
<b>EEL.K.5.d.</b> With guidance and support, demonstrate an understanding of common verbs.		Indicate Yes or No
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Demonstrate an understanding of common verbs.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, demonstrate an understanding of common verbs.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  With guidance and support, perform the actions that others are being asked to perform following the models of peers and others.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task <u>with support:</u> • With guidance and support, perform a routine action.	YN

**Common Core State Standard: L.K.6.** Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts.

Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
EEL.K.6. Use words acquired		Indicate Yes or No
through conversations, being		
read to, and during shared		
reading activities.		



Common Core Essential Elements - ELA	Instructional Achievement Level Descriptors	Estimated Level of Student Proficiency
Level IV	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills at a higher level of complexity then described in Level 3:  Uses/applies frequently used words in familiar contexts.	YN
Level III	Student demonstrates the content knowledge and skills:  Use words acquired through conversations, being read to, and during shared reading activities.	YN
Level II	Student demonstrates some of the content knowledge and skills:  • With guidance and support, pays attention to language cues.	YN
Level I	Student attempts to perform the task with support:  With guidance and support, attends to a familiar communication partner.	YN

